

Introduced by: Councilmember Costello *Stoles*

Prepared by: Department of Legislative Reference

Date: January 22, 2020

Referred to: HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS Committee  
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Also referred for recommendation and report to municipal agencies listed on reverse.

CITY COUNCIL 20 - 0484

A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL concerning

**Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority –  
Renewal Through June 30, 2024**

FOR the purpose of renewing and continuing the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

*Rob Stoles*

*C. T. Costello*

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**Agencies**

- Baltimore City Public School System
- Baltimore Development Corporation
- City Solicitor
- Comptroller's Office
- Department of Audits
- Department of Finance
- Department of General Services
- Department of Housing and Community Development
- Department of Human Resources
- Department of Planning
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
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- Department of Public Works
- Department of Real Estate
- Department of Recreation and Parks
- Department of Transportation
- Fire Department
- Health Department
- Mayor's Office of Employment Development
- Mayor's Office of Human Services
- Mayor's Office of Information Technology
- Office of the Mayor
- Police Department
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Boards and Commissions**

- Board of Estimates
- Board of Ethics
- Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals
- Comm. for Historical and Architectural Preservation
- Commission on Sustainability
- Employees' Retirement System
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
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- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Environmental Control Board
- Fire & Police Employees' Retirement System
- Labor Commissioner
- Parking Authority Board
- Planning Commission
- Wage Commission
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
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CITY OF BALTIMORE  
RESOLUTION 20.17  
Council Bill 20-0484

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Costello, Stokes  
Introduced and read first time: January 27, 2020  
Assigned to: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

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Committee Report: Favorable  
Council action: Adopted  
Read second time: April 27, 2020

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CONCERNING**

**Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority –  
Renewal Through June 30, 2024**

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3 FOR the purpose of renewing and continuing the Midtown Community Benefits District and  
4 Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the  
5 activities and authority of the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management  
6 Authority.

7 **Recitals**

8 Ordinance 95-613 (the “Ordinance”) authorized the creation of the Midtown  
9 Community Benefits District (the “District”) and the Management Authority (the  
10 “Authority”), subject to certain terms and conditions.

11 The Ordinance requires that the Mayor and City Council hold 1 or more public  
12 hearings every 4 years to evaluate the activities and undertakings of the District  
13 and the Authority and to determine whether the District and Authority should  
14 continue for another 4 years.

15 In 1999, the City Council conducted the first of these quadrennial reviews and, by  
16 Resolution 99-019, continued the District and Authority for an additional 4 years,  
17 ending June 30, 2003. Subsequently, Chapter 89, Acts of 2000, amended Charter  
18 Article II, § 63(h), establishing a new 4-year review cycle, to begin December  
19 2003. In 2003, the Mayor and City Council conducted an interim review and, by  
20 Resolution 03-043, continued the District and Authority for an additional 1-year  
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22 further review and, by Resolution 04-052, continued the District and Authority for  
23 a full 4-year period, ending June 30, 2008. In 2008, the Mayor and City Council  
24 conducted a further review and, by Resolution 08-001, continued the District and  
25 Authority for an additional 4-year period, ending June 30, 2012. In 2012, the  
26 Mayor and City Council conducted a further review and, by Resolution 12-007,  
27 continued the District and Authority for an additional 4-year period, ending June

**EXPLANATION:** Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.  
~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken by amendment.

Council Bill 20-0484

1 30, 2016. In 2016, the Mayor and City Council conducted a further review and,  
2 by Resolution 16-028, continued the District and Authority for an additional 4-  
3 year period, ending June 30, 2020.

4 The Mayor and City Council has now undertaken a new, quadrennial review for  
5 the 4-year period beginning July 1, 2020. Based on its review of the activities and  
6 undertakings of the District and Authority, the Mayor and City Council finds that  
7 the renewal and continuation of the District and the Authority are in the best  
8 interests of the citizens of Baltimore.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the  
10 Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority are renewed and continued  
11 for an additional 4 years, ending June 30, 2024.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution takes effect when it is  
13 enacted.

Certified as duly passed this 11 day of May, 2020



President, Baltimore City Council

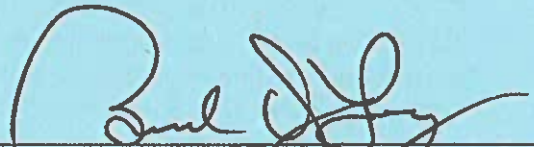
Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,

this 11 day of May, 2020




Chief Clerk

Approved this 5 day of May, 2020



Mayor, Baltimore City

Approved for form and legal sufficiency  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2020.



Chief Solicitor

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# BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE VOTING RECORD

DATE: 4-21-20

**BILL#: 20-0484**

**BILL TITLE: Resolution – Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority – Renewal Through June 30, 2024**

**MOTION BY:** DORSEY      **SECONDED BY:** HENRY

- FAVORABLE                       FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS  
 UNFAVORABLE                       WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

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**COMMITTEE STAFF:** Richard G. Krummerich, Initials: RK





BALTIMORE CITY  
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING &  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner

Date: April 3, 2020

Re: **City Council Bill 20-0484 Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority - Renewal Through June 30, 2024**

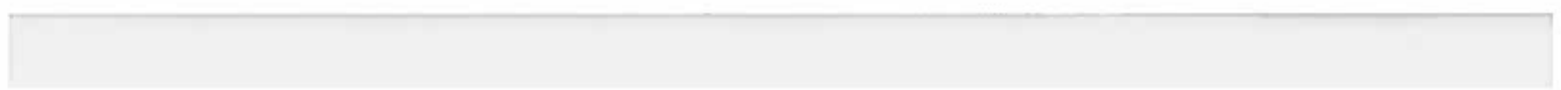
The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 20-0484 for the purpose of renewing and continuing the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

The Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority, authorized in 1995, is subject to quadrennial reviews. The Benefits District works to ensure that neighborhoods are clean, safe and vibrant. DHCD does not anticipate that continuation of these additional services will have an adverse fiscal or operational impact on the Department.


DHCD **supports** the passage of City Council Bill 20-0484.

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cc: Mr. Blendy, Nicholas, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*





F R O M	NAME & TITLE	Steve Sharkey, Director	CITY of BALTIMORE  M E M O	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 E Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 20-0484		

TO: Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young  
TO: Housing & Urban Affairs Committee  
FROM: Department of Transportation  
POSITION: No Objection  
RE: Council Bill – 20-0484

DATE: 4/17/20

**INTRODUCTION** – Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority - Renewal Through June 30, 2024

**PURPOSE/PLANS** – For the purpose of renewing and continuing the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

**COMMENTS** – This bill looks to authorize operation of Midtown Community Benefits District for an additional 4 years. Midtown Community Benefits District has been in existence since the mid-1990's, serving the communities of Bolton Hill, Charles North, Madison Park and Mount Vernon. Property owners within the Midtown Community Benefits District catchment area pay an additional 13.2 cents per \$100 of assessed property value in the form of a surtax. The surtax is in addition to the City of Baltimore's standard property tax rate and supports supplemental services within the boundaries of Midtown Community Benefits District. The Department of Transportation foresees no significant fiscal or operational impact from the passage of Council Bill 20-0484.

**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION** – The Department of Transportation has **no objection** to City Council bill 20-0484

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis at [Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov) or at 410-545-3207.

Sincerely,

Steve Sharkey  
Director



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<b>FROM</b>	NAME & TITLE	Robert Cename, Chief	CITY of BALTIMORE <b>MEMO</b>	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Bureau of the Budget and Management Research Room 432, City Hall (410) 396-4774		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 19-0465 – Port Covington and Port Covington Community Benefits District Management Authority		

DATE:

**TO**

The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, Room 400

April 20, 2020

**Position: Does Not Oppose**

The Department of Finance is herein reporting on City Council Bill 19-0465, Port Covington and Port Covington Community Benefits District Management Authority, the purpose of which is to establish a Port Covington Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

**Background**

There are several Community Benefits Districts across the city: Waterfront, Midtown, Charles Village, and Downtown. These Community Benefits Districts, and the Management Authorities that preside over them, provide additional services to their residents such as street cleaning, alley maintenance, and safety patrols. These services are funded by a property tax surcharge paid by property owners in the District.

**Fiscal Impact**

Port Covington is still in the early stages of development; therefore, we cannot estimate the number of properties that would be subject to the surcharge. Note that since Port Covington is a TIF district, baseline property taxes will first go to pay the TIF bond debt service.

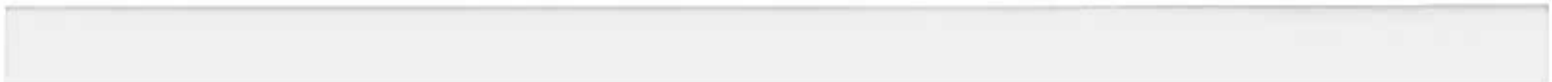
**Conclusion**

If this legislation passes and is approved by property owners to establish the Port Covington Community Benefits District, it will establish an agreement between the area's property owners and the District, in which property owners pay a supplemental tax rate, on top of the of the City's property tax rate, for additional services. There is no direct cost or revenue impact to the City.

In light of recent events and the economic downturn caused by COVID-19, it is important to note that these additional surcharges add to an already high tax burden on property owners and have the potential to discourage investments. This increased tax burden has the potential to limit the City's flexibility to increase General Fund revenues in the future.

**For the reasons stated above, the Department of Finance does not oppose City Council Bill 19-0465.**

cc: Henry Raymond  
Matthew Stegman  
Nina Themelis



At its regular meeting of January, 30, 2020, the Planning Commission concurred with the recommendations of its departmental staff, and recommended that City Council Bill 19-0465 be passed by the City Council. The Bill creates a Business Improvement District (BID) for the purpose of funding specific additional services. The additional services to be provided within the BID will include; beautification and landscape maintenance, snow removal, sanitation services, additional security, marketing and promotions, events, and fundraising efforts. DHCD does not anticipate that the provision of these additional services within the BID will have an adverse fiscal or operational impact on the Department.

DHCD **has no objection** to the passage of City Council Bill 19-0465.

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cc: Mr. Blendy, Nicholas, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*



CITY OF BALTIMORE

BERNARD C. "JACK" YOUNG  
Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW  
ANDRE M. DAVIS, CITY SOLICITOR  
100 N. HOLLIDAY STREET  
SUITE 101, CITY HALL  
BALTIMORE, MD 21202

April 2, 2020

The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
Attn: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary  
Room 409, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 20-0484– Midtown Community Benefits District and  
Management Authority – Renewal Through June 30, 2024.

Dear President and City Council Members:

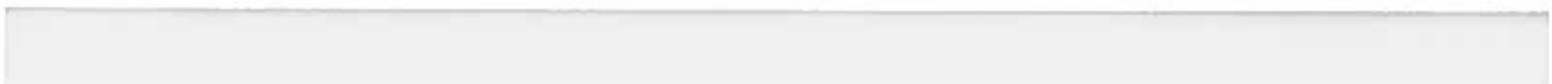
The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 20-0484 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would renew and continue the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority for another four years.

The District was created by Ordinance 95-0613 pursuant to authorization from the Maryland General Assembly that allowed the City to create community benefits districts. *See* 1994 Md. Laws ch. 732, codified in City Charter, Art. II, §63. In 1997, the General Assembly passed a law requiring that it reauthorize community benefits districts every four years, but in 2000 transferred the reauthorization function to the Mayor and City Council. *See* 1997 Md. Laws ch. 655; 2000 Md. Laws ch. 89, codified in City Charter, Art. II, §§63(g); (h)(1)(iii). The reauthorization requirement specific to the Midtown Benefits Management District and Management Authority has been codified in Section 7-16 of Article 14 of the City Code.

This bill is the required reauthorization pursuant to that section, which the Law Department approves for form and legal sufficiency.

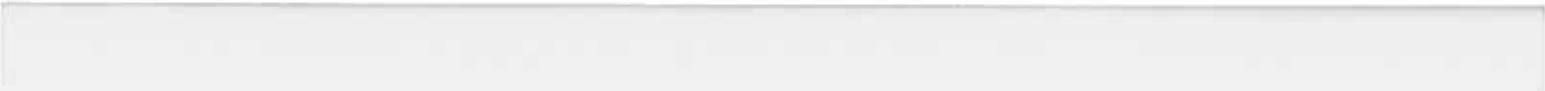
Sincerely yours,

Elena R. DiPietro  
Chief Solicitor





cc: Dana P. Moore, Acting City Solicitor  
Matthew Stegman, Mayor's Legislative Liaison  
Caylin Young, President's Legislative Director  
Hilary Ruley, Chief Solicitor  
Victor Tervalo, Chief Solicitor  
Ashlea Brown, Assistant Solicitor



FROM

Matthew W. Garbark, Acting Director

Department of Public Works  
600 Abel Wolman Municipal Building

City Council Bill 20-0484

CITY OF  
BALTIMORE  
MEMO



February 28, 2020

**TO:**

Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

### **INTRODUCTION**

I am herein reporting on Mayor and City Council Resolution 20-0484 introduced by Council Members Costello and Stokes.

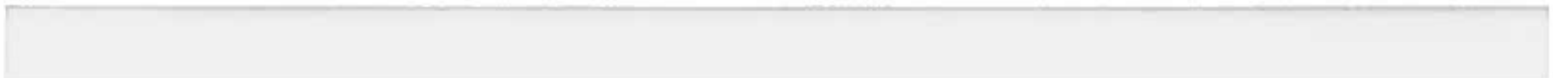
### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Resolution is to renew and continue the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority; provide for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

### **BRIEF HISTORY**

The Midtown Community Benefits District, an area of approximately 17 acres, includes the neighborhoods of Bolton Hill, Charles-North, Eutaw Place, and Mount Vernon-Belvedere. The District and Management Authority were established to promote the area; provide supplemental security and sanitation and promotional services; provide public amenities; and generally improve the quality of life in the area. In order to fund these operations, the District is designated as a special taxing district. A Board of Directors governs the Authority and includes one Mayoral representative, one City Council representative, one business representative, two non-profit representatives, two representatives from each of the four community organizations in the District, and four at-large members.

The enabling Ordinance requires the City Council to hold a public hearing every four years to evaluate the activities and undertakings of the Authority and the District, and to determine whether the District and Authority should continue for an additional four years.



The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
February 28, 2020  
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Below is a brief legislative history of the Midtown Community Benefits District and Authority:

- Ordinance 95-613 authorized the creation of the Midtown Special Benefits District (the "District") and Management Authority (the "Authority") for an area bounded by Centre Street, the Jones Falls Expressway, Calvert Street, North Avenue, Eutaw Place, and Park Avenue.
- Resolution 99-019 changed the name to the Midtown Community Benefits District and provided for the continuation of the District and Authority until June 30, 2003.
- Ordinance 99-432 expanded the boundaries of the District and Authority.
- Chapter 89, Acts of 2000, amended Charter Article II, § 63(h), establishing a new four-year review cycle, to begin December 20, 2003.
- Resolution 03-043 continued the District and Authority for an additional one-year period, ending June 30, 2004.
- Resolution 04-052 continued the District and the Authority for a full four-year period, ending June 30, 2008.
- Resolution 08-001 continued the District and Authority until June 30, 2012.
- Resolution 12-017 continued the District and Authority until June 30, 2016.
- Resolution 16-028 continued the District and Authority until June 30, 2020.

#### **AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION**

The Department of Public Works supports the continuation of the Midtown Community Benefits District and Authority for an additional four years and therefore supports passage of Mayor and City Council Resolution 20-0484.

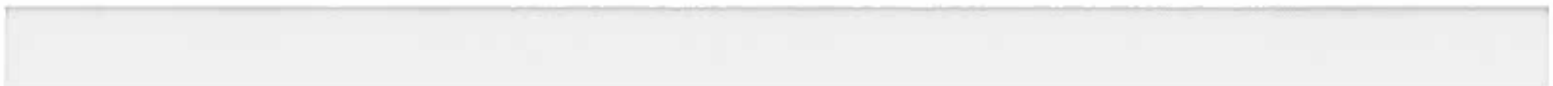
Should the Committee have any questions prior to the hearing, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Marcia Collins at 410-396-1960, or via email at [Marcia.Collins@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Marcia.Collins@baltimorecity.gov).



Matthew W. Garbark  
Acting Director


MWG:MMC

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**MEMORANDUM**

DATE: March 2, 2020  
TO: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee  
FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO   
POSITION: Support  
SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 20-0484 – Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority – Renewal Through June 30, 2024

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**INTRODUCTION**

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 20-0484 introduced by Councilmembers Costello and Stokes.

**PURPOSE**

For the purpose of renewing and continuing the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

**BRIEF HISTORY**

The creation of the Midtown Community Benefits District and the Management Authority was authorized in 1995, subject to quadrennial reviews to determine whether the District and Authority should continue to operate. The Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority play a critical role in ensuring the neighborhoods served are clean, safe, and vibrant.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

NONE

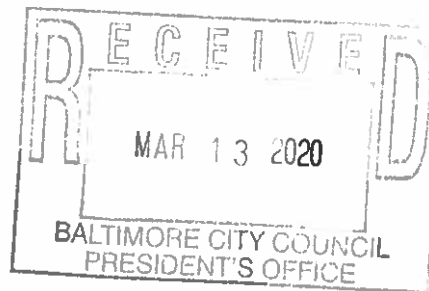
**AGENCY POSITION**

BDC supports Bill No. 20-0484.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or at [kclark@baltimoredevelopment.com](mailto:kclark@baltimoredevelopment.com).

cc: Nicholas Blendy

[PT]







**CALL TO ORDER**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present** 7 - Member John T. Bullock, Member Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Member Kristerfer Burnett, Member Zeke Cohen, Member Ryan Dorsey, Member Bill Henry, and Member Shannon Sneed

**ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

**20-0484 Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority - Renewal Through June 30, 2024**

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**Sponsors:** Eric T. Costello, Robert Stokes, Sr.

**A motion was made by Member Dorsey, seconded by Member Henry, that this Mayor and City Council Res. be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Member Bullock, Member "Yitzy" Schleifer, Member Burnett, Member Cohen, Member Dorsey, Member Henry, and Member Sneed

**ADJOURNMENT**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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**ADJOURNMENT**



**HEARING NOTES**

**Mayor and City Council Resolution: CC 20-0484**

**Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority – Renewal Through June 30, 2024**

**Committee:** Housing and Urban Affairs  
**Chaired By:** John Bullock

**Hearing Date:** April 21, 2020  
**Time (Beginning):** 3:05 PM  
**Time (Ending):** 3:22 PM  
**Location:** Virtual  
**Total Attendance:** 22  
**Committee Members in Attendance:**  
John Bullock Bill Henry  
Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer Sharon Sneed  
Kristerfer Burnett  
Zeke Cohen  
Ryan Dorsey

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Motioned by: .....	Councilmember Dorsey		
Seconded by: .....	Councilmember Henry		
Final Vote: .....	Favorable		

**Major Speakers**

*(This is not an attendance record.)*

- Councilman Eric Costello (D11th.)



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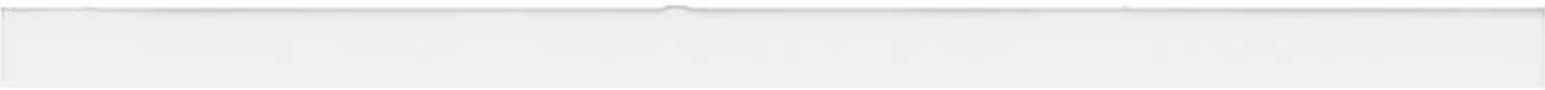
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# City of Baltimore

City Council  
City Hall, Room 408  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

## Meeting Agenda - Final

### Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

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Tuesday, April 21, 2020

3:00 PM

Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall

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20-0484

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

#### **ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

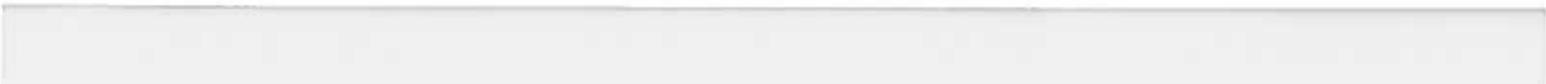
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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**





**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 20-0484  
(Resolution)**

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Costello, Stokes

Introduced and read first time: January 27, 2020

Assigned to: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Planning, Baltimore Development Corporation, Department of Public Works, Department of Housing and

Community Development, Department of Transportation, Board of Estimates, *Department of Finance*

A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL concerning

2 **Midtown Community Benefits District and Management Authority –**  
3 **Renewal Through June 30, 2024**

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6 activities and authority of the Midtown Community Benefits District and Management  
7 Authority.

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14 and the Authority and to determine whether the District and Authority should  
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16 In 1999, the City Council conducted the first of these quadrennial reviews and, by  
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18 ending June 30, 2003. Subsequently, Chapter 89, Acts of 2000, amended Charter  
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23 further review and, by Resolution 04-052, continued the District and Authority for  
24 a full 4-year period, ending June 30, 2008. In 2008, the Mayor and City Council  
25 conducted a further review and, by Resolution 08-001, continued the District and  
26 Authority for an additional 4-year period, ending June 30, 2012. In 2012, the  
27 Mayor and City Council conducted a further review and, by Resolution 12-007,  
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EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.  
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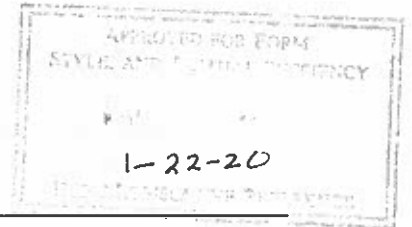
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**INTRODUCTORY\***  
**CITY OF BALTIMORE**  
**COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_**



Introduced by: Councilmember Costello

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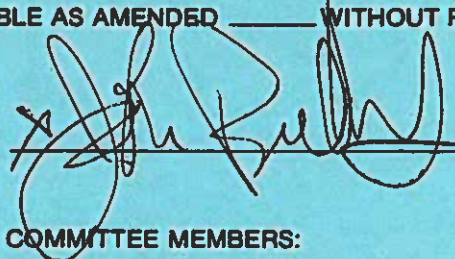
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FIRST READING (INTRODUCTION) \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON April 21, 2020 \_\_\_\_\_ 20 20

COMMITTEE REPORT AS OF April 27 \_\_\_\_\_ 20 20

\_\_\_\_\_ FAVORABLE \_\_\_\_\_ UNFAVORABLE \_\_\_\_\_ FAVORABLE AS AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

  
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Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:  
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SECOND READING: The Council's action being favorable (unfavorable), this City Council bill was (was not) ordered printed for Third Reading on:

\_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Amendments were read and adopted (defeated) as indicated on the copy attached to this blue backing.

THIRD READING \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

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THIRD READING (ENROLLED) \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

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THIRD READING (RE-ENROLLED) \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

WITHDRAWAL \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

There being no objections to the request for withdrawal, it was so ordered that this City Council Ordinance be withdrawn from the files of the City Council.

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President

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Chief Clerk